IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the PATENT application of

T.L. Ritzdorf et al

Serial No.: 09/880,715

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Method for Filling Recessed Micro-Structures with Metallizations in the Receipt Production of a Micro-lectronic Parisis For:

Production of a Microelectronic Device

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions that any and all extensions of the term necessary to render timely the filing of the accompanying response be granted.

Enclosed is Credit Authorization Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$950.00; in payment of the three month extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fee due with this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-2449.

Respectfully submitted,

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